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NATIONAL 4-H CLUB CAMP, WASHINGTON, D. C.

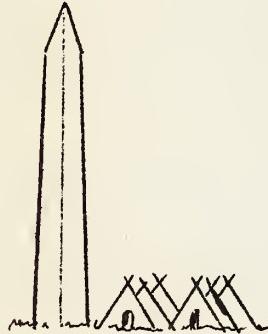
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"BIG TOPS" SPREAD

for 173 4-H DELEGATES



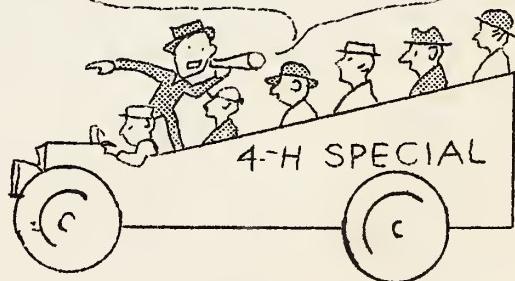
Farm boys and girls arriving in the National Capital today from 43 States and Puerto Rico to attend the Fourteenth Annual National 4-H Club Camp, have taken over "4-H Tent City," their home for the coming week. Housed with their State leaders in some 55 tents erected in the shadow of the Washington Monument, these outstanding young people are all primed to discuss WHAT'S AHEAD FOR RURAL YOUTH, the theme of the camp conferences.

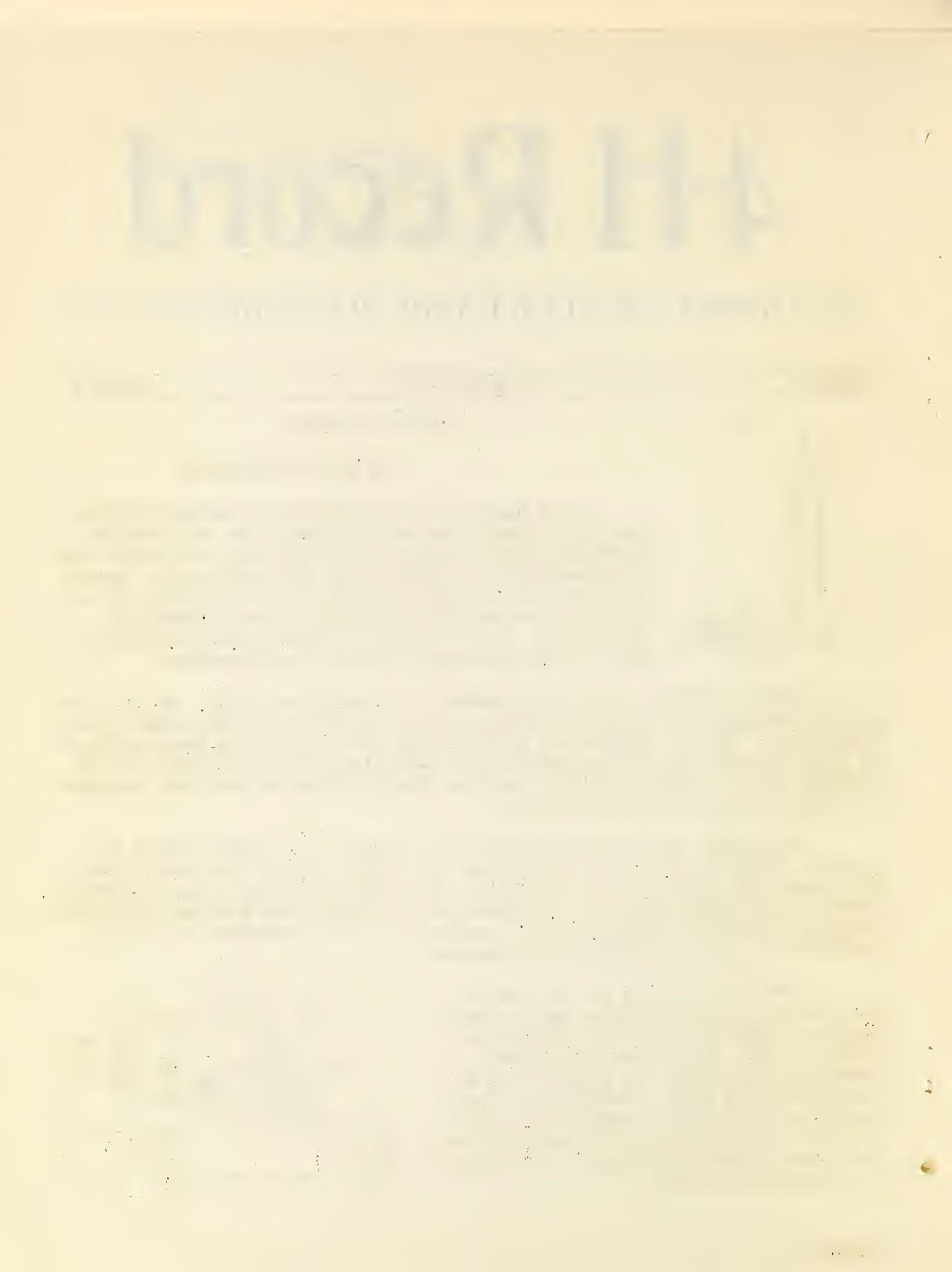
These delegates come as representatives of more than 1,381, 500 boys and girls belonging to some 79,500 4-H Clubs in the 48 States, Alaska, Hawaii, and Puerto Rico. Being a delegate to National Camp is a distinctive honor achieved by comparatively few. Approximately 2,200 4-H delegates have attended the 13 previous camps. Fifty counties throughout the United States have sent delegates to camp for the first time this year.

Officially, the 4-H delegates are the guests of the United States Department of Agriculture. In reality they are being feted by the United States Government and the District of Columbia. For weeks, officials of the Extension Service have been working out a triple-barreled program with various Departments, planning assemblies in the morning, sightseeing in the afternoon, and social activities for the evenings' entertainment.

Special courtesies and privileges are extended to the delegates for the week. Washington salutes them with a motorcycle police escort, which gives the six 4-H transportation busses the right of way on the sightseeing tours. Senators and Representatives furnish the campers with cards for the private galleries of the Senate and the House. Prominent speakers will address the morning assemblies.

What's ahead
for Rural Youth?





A number of dispensations have been granted by various agencies to carry out the camp program. From the National Parks Service comes official permission to set up the 4-H Camp on Federal property. Water is piped in from the District reservoir. Guards are furnished by the Public Buildings Administration. The Public Health Service keeps a doctor and two nurses on duty at camp to protect the Health -H. The cafeterias in the Commerce, Labor, and Agriculture Departments take care of the healthy young appetites and provide the meals. A whole crew of workers has been engaged by the Agriculture Cafeteria to prepare box lunches for the Beltsville tour alone.

The War Department has given permission for the 4-H'ers to place a wreath on the tomb of the Unknown Soldier. From the Superintendent of Mount Vernon's Ladies Association of the Union comes authority to pay similar tribute to the memory of George Washington - a pioneer American farmer.

Entertainment for the evening performances will be furnished in part by talent from civic and youth organizations of Washington. It is rumored that F. B. I. thespians are planning to present a play on Sylvan Theater night, June 17, and the Elks' Boys Band will be on hand to provide their stirring strains. The Mechanical Shops furnish much of the equipment used in the plays and games during camp.

Sunday night Vesper Service will again be sponsored by the Girl Reserves of the Y. W. C. A. and the Hi-Y Boys of the Y. M. C. A.

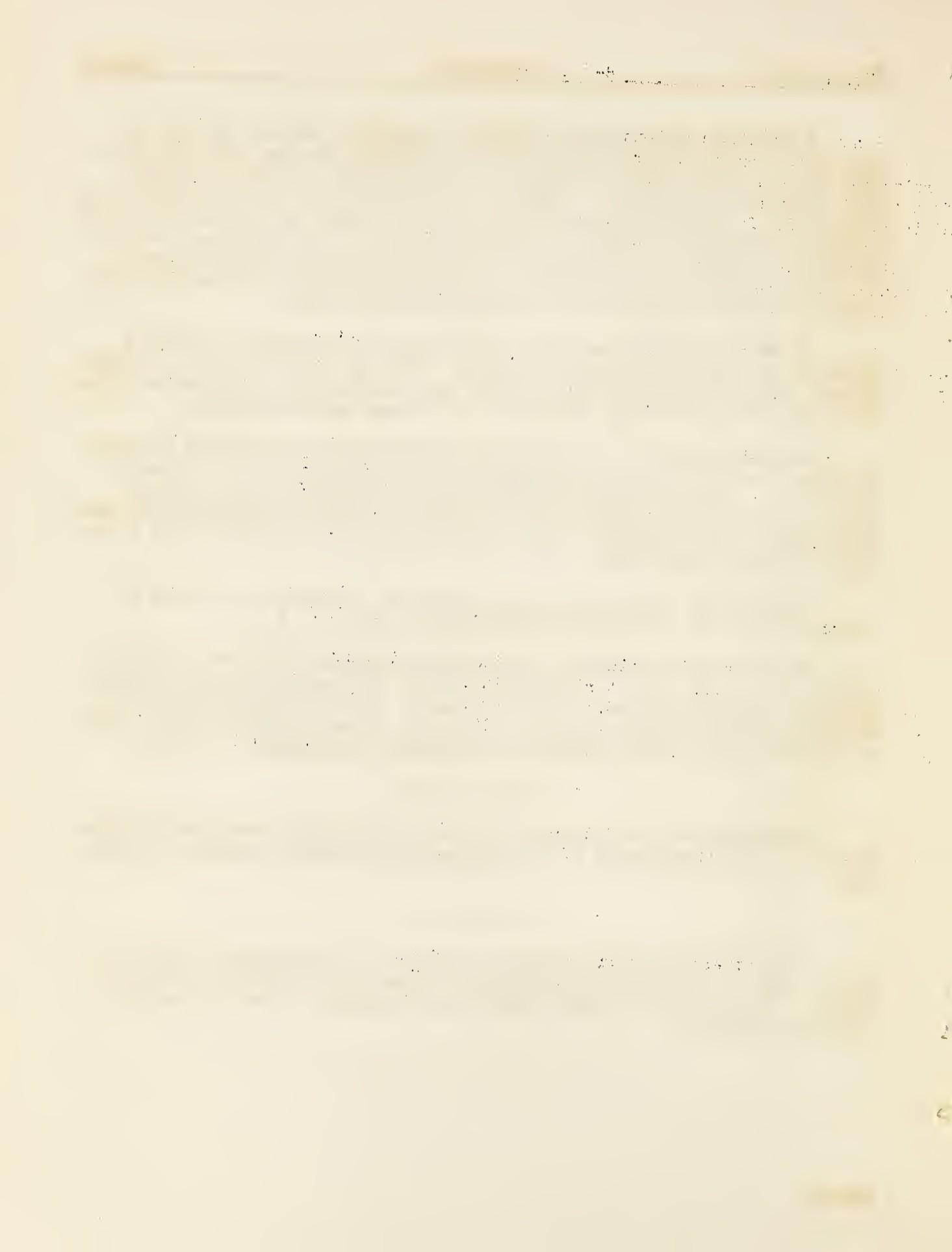
The National and Columbia Broadcasting Companies have given the 4-H campers time on the air. On Saturday morning, six delegates will be interviewed at National Camp over a C.B.S. hook-up. During the 45-minute N. B. C. broadcast from the Marine Barracks on June 17, six more delegates will speak, and the Marine Band, Capt. William F. Santelmann, conducting, will play.

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Fifty-two 4-H boys and girls who have passed their twentieth birthdays by June 1, will participate in the Citizenship Ceremonial scheduled for Flag Day.

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The 1940 campers are saddened to learn of the accidental death last week of one of the Kansas 4-H delegation, Lessel High of Abilene, Dickinson County. Junior Archer of Great Bend, Barton County, has been sent as the alternate delegate.



THE 4-H RECORD,
the official camp newspaper,
will come out every camp day
except Sunday. The Record
is the daily diary of a 4-H
camper in Washington as re-
corded by the 4-H reporter.

The 4-H Record "crier"
will call all reporters to
"pen pushing" by way of notices
in The Record, the bulletin
boards, and letters left for
each reporter in camp post office.



Reporters may inquire in the Press Tent for further information for that scoop.

Here are the assignments for the 4-H Record reporters covering the events of Wednesday and Thursday.

Wednesday, June 12:

Virginia Heaton, Alabama: En route to Camp.

Verna Jandt, Wisconsin: Getting Settled at National Camp.

Winston Markegard, North Dakota: Formal Opening of 1940 Camp.

Thursday, June 13:

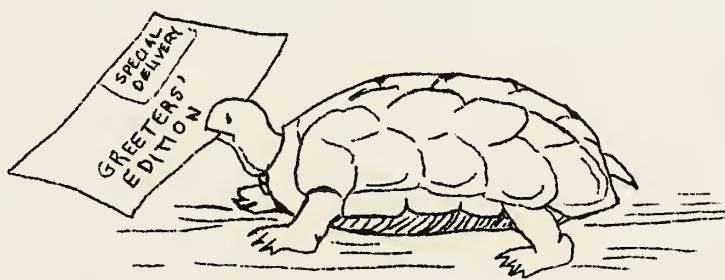
Kenneth Garvin, Texas: Director M. L. Wilson's Address.

Lois Oliver, Tennessee: Secretary Wallace's Address.

William Estes, Arkansas: Washington Monument.

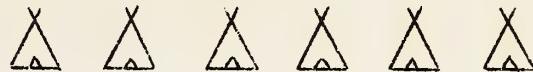
Jessie Johnson, Louisiana: Beltsville Tour.

Margaret Eargle, South Carolina: Supper and Evening at Beltsville.



CAMP INFORMATION

Along ADMINISTRATION AVENUE



A. - Administration Tent (telephone Republic 5132): Camp post office, information and registration booths, meal tickets. Stamps, post cards, and chevrons on sale. Health-examination certificates turned in here. Bulletin board with important announcements. On duty: Mary Mooney, William G. Lehmann, Harry Porter.

B. - Press Tent (Republic 5129): Press, radio, and photographic staffs. 4-H RECORD OFFICE (4-H Record reporters meet here after breakfast for information on daily assignments). State delegation pictures and press clippings on display. Orders taken for pictures here. On duty: Althea E. Thacker, Clara L. Bailey, G. W. Ackerman, Mrs. Amy Cowing (in charge of 4-H Record).

C. - Writing Tent: Writing supplies.

D. - General Service Tent: Laundry service. - For 1-day service leave laundry between 7 and 9 o'clock each morning and collect from 5:30 to 7 the same evening. Return all soiled Government towels here. Commercial photographic service. - Kodaks to rent, kodak supplies, films developed. National 4-H Club Songbook and sheet music on display. Recreation equipment: Baseball (soft ball), tetherball, volley ball, and horseshoe. Recreation equipment should be returned here. Drinking fountains.

E. - Library Tent: 4-H BOOK NOOK with suggested "best sellers" for 4-H Club libraries. Washington Guide Book, dictionary, and World Almanac on display for general use (4-H Record reports take note). On duty: Miss Cora L. Feldkamp, Mrs. Edith J. Webb.

F. - Conference Tent: Conferences.

At the OPPOSITE END of Camp:

Medical Tent (Republic 5128): For the Health H. - Report any ailments or bruises promptly. An ounce of prevention may be worth a whole week of camp fun. Detailed from the United States Public Health Service: Dr. J. R. Shaw and two nurses.

Nearby, for the GIRLS:

Laundry - Facilities Tent: To help to keep that trim 4-H look.

NATIONAL 4-H CLUB CAMP

(Not all streets are shown)

AND ITS SURROUNDINGS

Pennsylvania Ave.

N

S

White House

Corcoran
Red Cross
D.A.R.
Pan American

Ellipse

15th Street
Commerce Department Street

Labor Department

Lincoln Museum
Street Theater

10th

Street

Avenue

E St. NW

Pennsylvania

Avenue

12th

Natural History

Mall

Smithsonian

Freer

Independence Avenue

U.S.D.A.
Admin. Bldg.

U.S.D.A.
South Bldg.
(Auditorium)

C. St.

SW

Washington Monument

17th

Sylvan Theater

National Camp

Bur. Engrav.

To Potomac River

Lincoln Memorial

Reflecting Pool

